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Dear Professor Lederburg,

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Although smooth sailing through the Assembly Education Committee was expected for the Fisher teacher credentialing Bill No. 57 it came within one vote of being sent to interim study until 1963. Instead, on May 2 the Committee will vote again on passing Bill 57 to the Assembly floor.

This will be a do-or-die moment. I am therefore prevailing on you to write the six committee members who oppose the bill, but who are possible of being persuaded otherwise. As anticipated, the CTA and other education groups are applying forceful and highly organized pressure in Sacramento; our side must also express itself.

The six can be addressed % State Capitol Building, Sacramento; they are:

1. Jack T. Casey (D), District No. 38, Bakersfield
2. Lou Cusanovich (R), District No. 64, Van Nuys
3. Carley V. Porter (D), District No. 69, Compton
4. Bruce V. Reagan (R), District No. 47, Pasadena
5. Edward E. Elliott (D), District No. 40, Los Angeles
6. Edward M. Gaffney (D), District No. 24, San Francisco

I recognize that this is an imposition. However, the weight of your name at this moment could be critically helpful for this crucial bill.

Sincerely,


Stanley K. Sheinbaum
Executive Director

P.S. The bill passed the Senate by a 23-12 margin after clearing the Senate Committee unanimously.

P.P.S. Although Assemblyman Gaffney voted for the bill, he appears to be wavering.

P.P.P.S. Let me suggest that you send carbons to Assemblyman Richard T. Hanna, Chairman, Education Committee.